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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 13, 2004, the 40 Applicant elects without traverse the Group I, claims 1-16 drawn to a micro-electro-mechanical system (MEMS) sensor device, for prosecution on the merits in the present application.

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The Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the remaining non-elected Groups II, claims 17-20 drawn to a method for forming a capacitive pick-off acceleration-sensing device, in one or more additional Divisional applications.

No Fee is believed due for this response. If a Fee is due, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

If the Examiner has questions or wish to discuss any aspect of this inquiry, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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